

PONCE, Aug. 4.—As far as known no further forward movement will be made by the American troops until the arrival of transports which are expected hourly. There has been no fighting up to the present, as far as known. The Spaniards are expected to make their first stand at Aibonito, 35 miles from here, where two or three thousand Spanish regulars are believed to be entrenched. The present prospect is that there will be no actual fighting for several days.

THE DEMOCRATS ARE AT WAR

The Senatorial Convention Stirs Up a Big Row.

Buckingham, Webber and Manecke Hurl Personalities Freely---General Confusion.

The Democratic senatorial convention of the first district was held this afternoon in the circuit court room. There was a large attendance as it was expected that there would be an interesting fight between J. M. Gray and W. E. Nelson for the nomination for senator. The district is composed of Macon, Monticello and Christian counties.

The circumstances are rather peculiar. A call was published in the newspapers for a county convention to select delegates to the state and congressional convention. It was neglected in the call to mention that senatorial delegates were also to be chosen. The convention, however, after a discussion instructed a committee, of which J. M. Gray was chairman, to select delegates. The senatorial delegates recommended by the committee were appointed by the convention and were not instructed. Mr. Gray came out for senator and it was understood that he would have the support of the majority of the delegates. There was a feeling against Mr. Gray on the part of some of the Democrats and the Macon county central committee held a meeting and after a hot discussion decided to hold primaries and a convention for the purpose of instructing the delegates. This was done and at the convention 99 delegates out of the 133 were present. The delegates were instructed by Attorney W. E. Nelson and now the Gray faction do not recognize the instructions.

CALLED TO ORDER.

The convention was called to order at 1:30 by William Kirkwood of Monticello county, who made a few remarks, saying that if the Democrats worked hard for whoever was chosen by the majority they would elect a senator and two representatives.

Attorney O. C. Leforge was chosen as temporary chairman. He made a short speech and was frequently applauded. He referred to Bryan and his cause. He said the men who rallied under the banner of Bryan, who were called anarchists and socialists, even to the leader himself, damned the blue and skinned the market and are now to be found on the bloody battlefield of Cuba fighting for Cuba.

G. N. Waltz was chosen as secretary.

COMMITTEE.

It was decided that one delegate from each county not on a committee on permanent organization, a committee on credentials and one on resolutions. The committees were as follows:

Permanent Organization—Lee S. Hall of Macon; William White of Monticello; Dr. C. S. Christian of Christian.

Credentials—C. A. Thrift of Macon; Hugh Munson of Monticello; D. Alverson of Christian.

Resolutions—R. F. Shipley of Macon; W. K. Whitfield of Monticello; Jacob Swallow of Christian.

WITHOUT DEBATE.

A motion was made that all resolutions be presented to the committee without debate.

A. G. Webber started to talk against it and James Hicks of Taylorville rose to a point of order. The ruling of the chair was that Mr. Webber was out of order and the vote was taken and the motion to submit the resolutions to the committee without debate was carried.

HUTCHINSON TALKS.

The committee retired to work and Attorney J. T. Whitley suggested that while the committee was at work Attorney Hutchinson should deliver an address. Mr. Hutchinson made a brief speech. He said he didn't know what to talk about but someone suggested that he talk about the Chicago platform and the speaker took up that subject. He said that never since the Declaration of Independence has there been offered to the people as it was in the Chicago platform, and referred to Cleveland as a traitor.

He closed by advising the delegates to be sure to come out of the convention with harmony.

COMMITTEE REPORTS.

The committee on credentials reported that there were no contests and the reading of the report was dispensed with.

The committee on permanent organization recommended that the temporary organization of the convention be made permanent and the report was adopted.

W. K. Whitfield made the report for the committee on resolutions. Quite a number of resolutions were presented by

(the committee and were adopted by the convention.

Dr. Anderson of Macon and Miles Maddox of Monticello were made assistant secretaries.

NOMINATIONS.

It was decided to call the roll of the counties for nominations. James Hicks spoke for Christian county. He said: "Christian county presents the name of John M. C. Shumway for the office of senator. This delegation is happily situated with Mr. Shumway. He was born 40 years ago in Taylorville, he was a boy with us and has grown to manhood with us. He has always been a hard working Democrat. He has been in politics because he was a man of affairs." Mr. Hicks said that Mr. Shumway was as good a Democrat as could be nominated and he could give Kanan such a race as he never dreamed of, and this district for the first time would be represented in the legislature by three Democrats.

NELSON PRESENTED.

When Macon county was called A. G. Webber arose and said: "Macon county can present for senator one of the noblemen of the Democracy. He is known not only in Macon county, but outside. There stands behind him a fine record and also the support of the county. The county has had but one expression and yesterday a representative convention was held when this man was unanimously elected. On April 2 a county convention was held but in the call there was no notice that the senatorial delegates were to be selected. It was arranged in a caucus who should be one of a committee of three to select the delegates."

Mr. Webber referred to the passage of a resolution providing that no man who voted for the Allen bill should be nominated and said that it was done to kill an outside force with badle behind it. Mr. Webber told about the instructions of the delegates at the convention yesterday and said W. E. Nelson was the name he would present.

He said that if a man who was guilty of hoodluming was put on the ticket the Democratic party would and ought to be defeated. If Judge Nelson was put on the ticket for senator the election of Mr. Shumway in Christian county and Mr. Huff of Monticello would be sure of election for representatives. Macon county would like to favor Christian county, but it would be political suicide if Mr. Nelson was not put on the ticket.

BUCKINGHAM TALKS.

I. A. Buckingham next arose and said: "In behalf of an undivided Democracy," and the delegates laughed. Mr. Buckingham then spoke of how ridiculous it was to speak of undivided Democracy in Macon county. It was undivided he wanted to be delivered from undivided Democracy. Mr. Buckingham referred to the hoodlum question. He said it amounted to was that a man paid some people to work at the primaries. He said these other men were so good they dare not go where angels tread. Mr. Buckingham said: "Webber didn't send money and heur too to the Fifth ward, did he?" Mr. Webber jumped up and said it wasn't fair to make personal reference, but the chairman said the point was not well taken.

Mr. Buckingham then continued his speech. He said he admitted that he was wrong in voting for the Allen bill. He came here and helped to get up the primaries. Mr. Buckingham said those affairs had happened before and that Manecke had done. Mr. Manecke jumped up in a rage and said: "Don't get personal with me, I won't stand it. Don't use my name."

"I will use it if I want to," said Mr. Buckingham.

"I will retort. I will say that Mr. Buckingham was one of the men who was made to give up hoodlum."

CONFUSION.

J. T. Whitley said Mr. Manecke was out of order and should tell his grievances on the street as he was not a member of the convention. While Mr. Whitley was speaking there was great confusion and Manecke roared at Buckingham and walked toward him. Mr. Webber was also talking and the chairman was calling order. There was great confusion but Mr. Leforge finally succeeded in securing order. Mr. Manecke said he would keep still if Buckingham didn't refer to him any more. Mr. Buckingham said: "If any man says that I ever

was made to give up hoodlum, he is an infamous liar."

Mr. Manecke walked toward Buckingham, but some men gathered around him and one man whispered to Buckingham and the latter said he wasn't afraid of being hurt.

When the delegates were quite Mr. Buckingham continued his speech. Mr. Webber resented being referred to personally and he and Mr. Buckingham talked at the same time. Mr. Buckingham said: "Sit down, Webber."

"I will when I get ready," said Webber.

"Then stand up and make a fool of yourself."

Mr. Buckingham again made reference to Mr. Manecke and the latter again resented it. The chairman said Manecke must keep still but the ex-senator insisted that he must not be referred to personally. He said:

"Will you protect me or must I protect myself?"

"You had better protect yourself," said Buckingham.

Chairman Leforge then insisted that no more personal reference be made and Mr. Manecke was quieted and went back of his seat in a window.

Mr. Buckingham continued with his speech, giving in detail matters in reference to the political work of the Democrats in Macon county. Objection was made by W. K. Whitfield and J. E. Heganz. They thought Mr. Buckingham ought to confine himself to the nomination of his man. The chairman said that considering the charges that have been made Mr. Buckingham had the right to say more than would ordinarily be considered proper, but ruled that he could not go into detail so much and must proceed to the nomination of his man.

Mr. Buckingham then went on to say that the delegates were at first given the power to select who they wished, just as they did not vote for one who had ever voted for the Allen bill. In regard to Mr. Gray the speaker said he was always a good Democrat. He had taken sides with the gold men at first but when the party spoke he voted the silver ticket and followed his party.

Mr. Buckingham said: "Mr. Gray's word is as good as his bond. He is honorable and careful and is an able man. If he goes to the senate he will know what is going on and will express himself. He is an unflinching, able, honest Democrat. With such a man we can run down Captain Kanan. Mr. Gray will know where Kanan is every hour and will make life miserable for him. The Republicans in Macon county need watching and Jim Gray is the man to watch them. With such a man as senator there will be no danger of his having anything to do with hoodlums in the legislature halls."

B. F. SHIPLEY.

B. F. Shipley said he wanted to talk a little while. He referred to the candidates and spoke favorably of Mr. Gray. He said he had known J. M. Gray since boyhood and knew he was as noble a man as could be found and if he was nominated he would make the most lively race ever known in the county.

SECONDED.

Attorney J. T. Whitley next addressed the convention and spoke in favor of J. M. Gray. He said although Judge Nelson was his partner and he loved him, but he rose to second the nomination of Mr. Gray.

Nominations were still being made as the Republican goes to press.

CURZON THE NEW VICEROY

LONDON, August 1.—It is reported that Mr. George N. Curzon, the parliamentary secretary of the foreign office, has accepted the office of viceroy of India, in succession to the Earl of Elgin. Mr. Curzon married Miss Mary Leiter, the daughter of Mr. L. Z. Leiter of Chicago. He was formerly parliamentary under secretary for India and is the author of a number of prize essays, including "Russia in Central Asia," "Persia and the Persian Question," and "Problems of the Far East." He is the eldest son of Lord Curzon, was educated at Oxford and is a gold medalist of the Royal Geographical society.

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Will Hold a Bicycle Race Next Friday Evening—Races To-Morrow.

The clerks of the Drobisch Brothers grocery store will hold bicycle races next Friday evening at the Race Track. A prize has been offered for the winner and as there are some good riders employed at the store the races will probably be a close one. There will be a two mile handicap with the following entries and handicaps:

George W. Allen.....	Scratch
Fred Stout.....	25 yards
H. Manning.....	50 yards
Buck Nowell.....	75 yards
Chas. Cannon.....	75 yards
Bruce Manning.....	75 yards
John Arthur.....	100 yards
C. Hunt.....	125 yards
J. Owens.....	150 yards
Artie Bond.....	200 yards
Charles Haines.....	250 yards
Will Young.....	350 yards
Ed Drobisch.....	500 yards

The races of the Decatur Wheelmen's club will be held to-morrow evening at the race track. There are to be some good contests.

MONUMENT TO MAINE VICTIMS

Former Member of the United States Navy Suggests a Novel Plan for a Memorial.

A reader of the Chicago Times-Herald writes to that paper as follows: "We ought not to forget that confined in the wreck of the Maine the bodies of some 200 American seamen lie today rotting beneath the waters of Havana harbor."

"Very soon that spot will be in our possession, to do with it as we please, and I desire, through your columns, to suggest that when the site of that terrible tragedy is under the control of the United States the spot be declared sacred to the memory of all the heroes and victims of this war. Let a colossus be built around the wreck, and after removing all signs and proofs of the dastardly deed, let the foundation of a noble and stately monument be laid there. What more fitting and inspiring memorial of this memorable and unique contest than a lighthouse of artistic design rising there from out the waters of Havana harbor?"

"Let the names of all those who fell in this struggle be engraved upon the pedestal, the victims of the Maine disaster heading the list."

"Such a monument on that site would, even more impressively than the colossus on Pedloe's Island, personify liberty enlightening the world and to all lovers of freedom the world over it would signal, without staidness or suggestion of revenge, the historic watchword: 'Remember the Maine.'"

A. H. NELSON,
"Ex-United States Navy."

The regular meeting of Coner de Leon Lodge No. 17, Knights of Pythias, will be held tonight. Visiting knights especially invited.

The nails on amputated fingers continue to grow.

FOR SALE—A young Jersey cow. Inquire at 140 East Court street.

We are authorized to announce SAMUEL C. DAY as a candidate for County Clerk, subject to the decision of the Republican county convention.

ARMY MUST LEAVE CUBA

SANTIAGO DE CUBA, August 4.—(Copyrighted)—After

Col. Roosevelt had taken the initiative, (as given in another column,) all other officers united in "A Round Robin" address to Shafter. It

reads: We, the undersigned officers, commanding the various brigades and divisions of the army of occupation in Cuba are all of unanimous opinion that this army should be at once taken out of Cuba

and sent to some point on the northern seacoast of the United States; and that it can be done without danger to the people of the United States; that the yellow fever in the army at present is not epidemic;

that there are only a few sporadic cases, but that the army is disabled by malarial fever to the extent that its efficiency is destroyed and that it is in a condition to be practically destroyed by the epidemic of yellow fever which is sure to come in the near future. We

know from the reports of competent officers and persons of observation that the army is unable to move into the interior; that there are no facilities for such a move, if attempted; that it could not be attempted till too late. Moreover the best medical authorities of the island say that with our present equipment, we could not live in the interior, during the rainy season without losses from malarial fever which is almost as deadly as yellow fever.

This army must be removed at once or perish. As the army can safely be removed now, persons responsible for preventing such

a move will be responsible for the unnecessary loss of many thousands of lives. Our opinions are the result of a careful personal observation, and are also based on the unanimous opinion of our medical officers with the army, who understand the situation absolutely.

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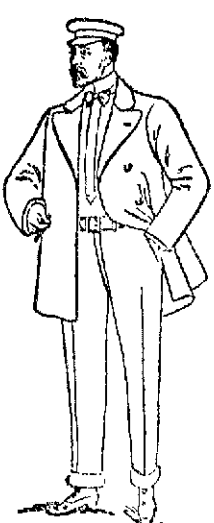
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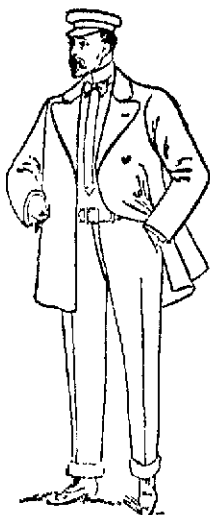
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WEATHER.

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LOCAL NEWS.

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Don't miss it. Wabash R. R. excursion to Niagara Falls, Wednesday, August 17. Particulars at City or Depot ticket offices. —4-dcf

Attend the cinematograph and gramophone entertainment at W. C. T. U. hall Friday evening, August 5. Scenes from recent battles and popular war songs at popular prices 10 cents admission. —8-dcf

The washing of clothes for the queen's household costs more than \$15,000 per annum.

J. N. Bell, of Bunker Hill is the guest of his daughter, Mrs. J. M. Gray.

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Open during the day and evening—Sponner and Lehman Carriage Repostory, at the corner of Main and Wood streets. They have some open and canopy top traps that are beautiful and a full line of fine and medium grade surreys, buggies, road wagons, etc. These are honest goods at honest prices.—8-dcf

If the Shoe Fits
Put it on and if the price pleases you put on its mate. Pay the price for the pair and walk out of the store with a smile of satisfaction that will proclaim to all the world that you have been on a visit to Walter Hutcheson, the famous foot-fitter and have got your money's worth. 189 North Water street. —8-dcf

Still Missing.
The Gerald Laplante boy is still missing in Chicago. He cannot be found. Recently two persons who had been servants in the Laplante family were arrested for having some supposed connection with the abduction, which took place on May 30th. They were released. Detectives are still at work trying to unravel the mystery.

WM. B. NEWELL,

605 West Wood Street, Formerly a Groceryman in Decatur.

Mr. Newell is most likely well known to every reader of this paper. This is why we put his name so prominently before you. We have no favors to ask, but some to give. The favor we have to give is put up in a small round wooden box and labeled Morrow's Kid-ner-out. They cure backache and all forms of kidney disorders. Mr. Newell has used them and here is what he says about them, and you may depend upon it he would say nothing of the kind if it were not so:

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For Mr. Hartman.

Professor and Mrs. Mapes will give a hay ride to a number of young people to-night in honor of Mr. Hartman of Chicago, who is their guest. The start will be made from the Mapes residence on West Main street at 7 o'clock and the party will go to the farm of Mr. Ventz, north of the city, where supper will be served.

Gone for a Vacation.

Rev. W. H. Penhalligan left this morning on his vacation. He will go to Chicago for two weeks stay and will return to Decatur for a few days, conducting services at the First Presbyterian church on Sunday, August 21, both morning and evening. Later he will take an eastern trip.

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coffee at night. It spoils their sleep. You can drink Grain-O when you please and sleep like a top. For Grain-O does not stimulate, it nourishes, cleans and feeds. It is like a tonic, tastes like the best coffee. For nervous persons, young people and children Grain-O is the perfect drink. Made from pure grain. Get a package from your grocer today. Try it in place of coffee. 10 and 25c.

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BOARD OF EDUCATION.

Official Report.

Decatur, Ill., August 3, 18.
Present: Mrs. Minnie P. Hoettler, Messrs. D. S. Shellabarger, J. F. Roach and the clerk, E. A. Gastman.
The superintendent presented a list of eighty applicants for the eight vacancies in the wards schools. After a careful examination and discussion of the various names, it was unanimously ordered that the following persons be appointed teachers in the schools and the clerk was directed to inform each of them that the right would be reserved to terminate the contract at the end of any month if the interests of the schools required such action:

Miss Harriet A. Davidson.
Miss Adella B. Hoop.
Miss Carrie Record.
Miss Jessie Young.
Miss Emma Matherbaugh.
Miss Marianna Deverell.
Miss Irene Ferguson.
Miss Theda Glendonster.

Principal Frank Haneser recommended the appointment of Miss Louise A. Gastman to fill the position of assistant in English in the high school, made vacant by the resignation of Miss Kelly Cole Danely, who goes to a similar position in Chaddock college, Quincy, Ill. The appointment was made as recommended.

These bills were ordered paid:
D. C. Shockey, \$10.
W. H. Spence, \$200.
On motion adjourned.
D. S. Shellabarger, President.
E. A. Gastman, Clerk.

WENT TO STONINGTON.

Members of Goodman's Band Play To-Day at a Big Picnic.

The members of Goodman's band went to Stonington this morning to play at the annual Sunday school picnic which is to be held today at that place. The picnic is held every year and is a big affair. Persons come from quite a distance in that neighborhood to attend. Goodman's band was engaged to furnish music for the affair.

Joined the Recruits.

John Phelan left this morning for St. Louis where he will join the volunteer engineer corps at Jefferson barracks. The other recruits from this city left yesterday morning. Richard Glover did not go with the recruits. He enlisted as a hospital and passed the examination, but he was only 19 years old and his mother was unwilling to let him go. It is necessary to have the written permission of the parents before boys under age can join the army.

Rev. Weems Here.

Rev. T. D. Weems of Toledo will arrive in the city this evening to assist Rev. A. M. Danely at the funeral of John E. Wiggins, which will be held tomorrow afternoon at 8 o'clock from the Long Creek Methodist church. The funeral will leave the residence at 1 o'clock.

Picnics To-Day.

The members of the Cumberland Presbyterian church gave a picnic today at Smith's grove, southwest of the city. There were quite a number of persons in attendance and the affair was pleasant one. Rev. A. W. Hawkins and Attorney J. S. Baldwin made the principal addresses of the day and there were a number of musical selections.

Meeting at Sharon.

The revival meetings which are in progress at Sharon church northwest of the city, conducted by Rev. E. B. Randell, have been well attended throughout the week and will continue over Sunday. There was one conversion last Sunday and a great deal of interest is manifested.

Funeral Yesterday.

The funeral of the infant daughter of Fred Rostek was held yesterday afternoon at 4 o'clock from the family residence, 1874 North Morgan street. The services were conducted by Rev. Heyne and the burial was at Greenwood cemetery.

The Barbers' Union.

The members of the barbers' union held a meeting last evening at the Goodman band hall. Routine business was transacted and Jake Cooper was elected to membership. The union now has 30 members.

Sang at Harristown.

The Arion quartet sang at the lawn social given by the ladies of the Harristown Methodist church at the residence of Mr. Jacobs, one and one-half miles south of Harristown, last evening. There was a large attendance and the music of the quartet was greatly appreciated.

BASE BALL.

NATIONAL LEAGUE.

St. Louis 4—7, Brooklyn 9—4.
Pittsburg 4, Washington 1.
Louisville 2, Boston 1.

Lincoln 9, Mattoon 6.

CHICAGO STOCK MARKET.

CHICAGO, Aug. 4.—Receipts: Hogs 18,000, steady, light \$3.65 to \$3.97, mixed \$3.00 to \$3.90, heavy \$3.55 to \$3.95. Cattle 9500, steady, beefs \$4.20 to \$4.60, stockers feeders \$3.10 to \$4.55. Sheep 12,000, steady.

William S. Turpin of this city has been granted additional pension and William H. Adde of this city has been granted an increase of pension through the agency of M. Shea.

S. C. Davis for County Clerk.
Samuel C. Davis is out as a candidate for the office of County Clerk, subject to the action of the Republican county convention, the voting primaries to be held August 20, from 4 to 7:30 p. m. The convention on August 22. Mr. Davis is a native of Mason county. He was born and raised in Long Creek township, but is now a resident of Decatur, his home being on North Water street. During his residence in Long Creek Mr. Davis represented the township as a member of the county board of supervisors for a period of 11 years and as a supervisor he has transacted a large amount of business for the county faithfully and well. "Sam" is a good business man, who is widely and favorably known among the farmers, and would give to the people excellent service as a county clerk. He has always been an active and influential Republican, quick to respond to the party call either in the ranks for work or in any other capacity. Mr. Davis, in short, is one of the solid men of the county, and no better man could be selected by the convention. His nomination would be equivalent to election.

State Capital Praise—Thanks.

Springfield Journal.—Decatur is to be congratulated upon the enterprise exhibited by the Evening Republican of that city, which has just installed a fast perfecting press of the metropolitan type and a stereotyping plant, and is now fully equipped with all the facilities required for the production of a first class daily newspaper. Within the last few years the Republican has made rapid progress, and Decatur can now boast of an evening newspaper that is fully up to the times and will stand comparison with those of many cities of double the size. The State Journal congratulates the Republican upon the great improvement it has effected and hopes that it will be appreciated as it ought to be by the people of Mason county.

THE BICYCLE TRACK.

Wheelmen are Considering the Matter and are Anxious to Have One.

The wheelmen of the city are quite anxious to have a bicycle track. The matter was brought up at a meeting of the Wheelmen's club Tuesday night and a committee was appointed to look around and see what could be done. The idea is to have a quarter mile track. Bicycle races held on such a track are much more interesting than on a mile track, as the spectators are able to see more of the race. There was some talk of organizing a stock company on selling the stock at a low price so that all the wheelmen could take a little.

It is thought that it would cost about \$800 to build a good cinder track, grand stand and fence. It is probable that \$250 could be easily raised among the wheelmen and the club could put up \$100. The balance could be sold among men around town who are interested. When races are held the club would pay for the use of the track.

PERSONAL.

—R. V. Mallory has recovered from an attack of malarial fever which has kept him confined to his home for the past 10 days.

—H. I. Baldwin has gone to New York and other eastern points in the interest of the Pratt Cereal mills.

—T. W. Stewart, secretary of the Y. M. C. A., and Mrs. Stewart, left this morning for a visit of two weeks at Chicago and other points.

—Misses Beale and Emma Reems of Harrisburg, Pa., are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Freeman.

—K. E. Palmer, traveling passenger agent for the Rock Island, was in the city today on business.

—J. R. Williamson left today for Binghamton, N. Y. He will be absent until March.

A Clever Trick.

It certainly looks like it, but there is really no trick about it. Anybody can try it who has Lame Back and Weak Kidneys, Malaria or nervous troubles. We mean he can cure himself right away by taking Electric Bitters. This medicine tones up the whole system, acts as a stimulant to the Liver and Kidneys, is a blood purifier and nerve tonic. It cures Constipation, Headache, Fainting, Spells, Sleeplessness and Melancholy. It is purely vegetable, a mild laxative, and restores the system to its normal vigor. Try Electric Bitters and be convinced that they are a miracle worker. Every bottle guaranteed. Only 50c. a bottle at J. E. King's and C. F. Shilling's Drug Store.

Prohibition Picnic.

The Prohibitionists will hold the sixth annual picnic under the auspices of the W. C. T. U. of Rochester at Mrs. L. H. Olcott's grove near Rochester on Wednesday, August 10. It will be an all day picnic with a program which will consist of devotional exercises conducted by Mrs. Mary F. Wright, a talk by Rev. J. E. Rogers of Springfield and addresses by Hon. I. R. Mills, Hon. D. F. Caldwell and Hon. D. L. Dunn. Dinner will be served from 12 to 1:30 o'clock and a special musical program will be offered.

Millions Given Away.

It is certainly gratifying to the public to know of one concern in the land who are not afraid to be generous to the needy and suffering. The proprietors of Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, Coughs and Colds, have given away over ten million trial bottles of this great medicine, and have the satisfaction of knowing it has absolutely cured thousands of hopeless cases. Asthma, Bronchitis, Hoarseness and all diseases of the Throat, Chest and Lungs are surely cured by it. Call on J. E. King and C. F. Shilling, druggists, and get a trial bottle for 10c. Regular size 50c and \$1.00. Every bottle guaranteed or price refunded.

Matches to the value of \$100,000,000 are annually consumed throughout the world.

FOUND GUILTY FINED \$500

WARRENSBURG, MO., August 4.—Rev. H. E. Howell, late pastor of the Christian church at Columbus, was yesterday found guilty of making false affidavit to proof of loss from the burning of his residence in this city in June last, and sentenced to pay a fine of \$500. The prosecution proved that Howell had employed Charles Pison to burn the property, promising to pay him \$50 therefor. A charge of arson is also pending against Howell. Pison turned state's evidence. A complaint was originally made, charging Howell with adultery with Mrs. Henderson, with whom Howell eloped and in whose company he was arrested in Oswego, Kan. This action was dismissed. Howell's wife and children are in Illinois.

SULLIVAN GETS NEXT MEETING

PARIS, ILL., August 4.—The state association of Mexican War Veterans held its annual meeting here. There were 60 members present, some of them bringing their wives, who have been entertained by the citizens. The veterans were entertained at Reservoir park and last evening at the Masonic Temple. Hon. A. J. Hunter of this city and Hon. Nick Perrin of Belleville, delivered addresses. The officers elected for next year are: Colonel Morris Forman of California, president; Major S. P. Tuttle of Centralia, vice president; Captain J. W. Hartley of Decatur, secretary and treasurer. Mr. Hartley has held this position for over 30 years. Colonel Forman is 85 years old. The association meets next year in Sullivan, Ill.

STOWAWAY HEROINE

SAN FRANCISCO, CAL., August 4.—The steamer Doric brings a report that Mrs. Reeves, wife of Colonel Reeves of the 15th Minnesota regiment, managed to secret herself on board the transport City of Para, and accompanied her husband as far as Honolulu, but whether she was prevented to continue her voyage to Manila is not made clear.

CORBETT'S MONEY UP

NEW YORK, August 1.—James J. Corbett has posted \$2500 for a match with "Bub" Fitzsimmons or Jim Jeffries. The above announcement is to hold good if Corbett defeats McCoy at Buffalo.

Additional Store Room.

The workmen are busy engaged in remodeling the store room owned by Mr. Smallwood at 188 East Prairie street. The interior is being remodeled, a new floor laid, a new plate glass front put in and steam heat and water added. The work will be finished in about two weeks and an entrance will be cut between this room and the room occupied by the Stewart dry goods house on North Water street, which will occupy both rooms. This arrangement is made necessary because of the plans of the house to enlarge their business and the entrance from both Prairie and Water streets will be a decided convenience. They will open up their new stock and take possession of the new store in about two weeks.

The Last Letter From Camp.

Corporal Clarence E. Siuwers of Company H 5th regiment, wrote the Republican a letter from Camp Thomas, dated August 1. The corporal tells of the famous march to Roseville and the struggling return to camp. None of the officers are blamed for the recall and all but three men of the regiment were in camp on the 1st. Then the writer did not know of the plans to send the regiment to Porto Rico. He is now with the rest of the boys at Newport News, and will go on transports on the trip to join General Miles' army.

Constable Miller on a replevin writ captured a cow and a calf, and he wants it stated that they were not drowned.

Tom Hamilton met with a serious accident last evening at the Wabash round house. He stepped on a nail and injured his left foot.

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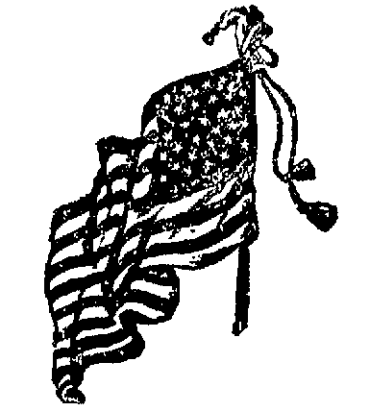
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A. E. NIGHTINGALE..... of Chicago
ALICE ASBURY ABRAHAM..... of Chicago
For Congress,
ISAAC E. MILLIS..... of Macon County
State Senator,
M. F. KANAN..... of Macon County
Representatives,
T. L. MCDANIELS..... of Macon County
J. F. CORNELIUS..... of Macon County

WORKING THE WHEELS.

U. B. F. Caldwell is not inclined to con-
sider it will not be for a lack of desire
on his part to make every Democratic
committee and every Democratic candi-
date his humble servant. His inter-
ference in the senatorial contest here and
in Sangamon county is well known. He
has his way in the Sangamon district.
He may have his way in this senatorial
district. We will know about that in a
few days. But he is not satisfied to come
with the high handed methods adopted
as to those senatorial nominations but in
Sangamon county, proceeding upon the
theory that he is to furnish the funds for
the campaign, his belief that all appoint-
ments be conceded to him. That is that
all appointments in the county offices be
placed in his hands that he may use
them in the campaign to get work and
votes for himself. He probably expects
to provide these places over and over
again. He also wanted to name his man
to conduct the campaign in Springfield
independent of the chairman of the county
committee. This resulted in the chair-
man, Tom Wilson, who has some in-
dependence at his own, resigning.
Charles Wood, the candidate for sheriff,
also rebelled as he wanted, in case of his
election, to appoint his own deputies.
There has been war in the Sangamon
county Democratic camp as the result of
Caldwell's interference to have everything
his own way. These differences which
are marked and intense have been
smoothed to some extent to save other-
wise has left scars that will be heard
from later on.

He will probably not interfere in the
prospective appointments in Macon
county because there are not now and
will not be any prospective appointments
but he has interfered with the senatorial
contest and will have an organization in
DeCATUR which will not independent of
the county convention and for Mr. Cald-
well alone. Mr. Caldwell claims his
election is assured, but the attention he
is giving to details and his effort to
force every other Democratic candidate
to forsake himself and his prospects to
help elect Caldwell, indicates that he
has grave doubts about his ability to
pull through in a Democratic district,
and as a matter of fact the people share
his doubts for many reasons, among
which the paramount one that there is no
demand and no reason for his election.
The free trade and free silver and illu-
sive and referendum principles he repre-
sents are not what the people of this dis-
trict are in favor of.

Veterans of the late war who are now
receiving invalid pensions have charged
Commissioner Evans with discriminating
against them by cutting off the pensions
of those who enlist in the present war.
A large number of letters have been re-
ceived by the commissioner from the
veterans, in which he is accused of de-
priving them of their pensions on per-
sonal grounds. Mr. Evans denies that
there is any truth in these charges, and
asserts that he is simply carrying out
the law, which says: "No person in the
army, navy or marine corps shall draw
both a pension as an invalid and the pay
of his rank or station in the service, un-
less the disability for which the pension
was granted be such as to prevent his
employment in a lower grade in the
civil branches of the service." But this
law every pensioner is required to
appear before a magistrate each quarter
and take oath to the effect that he has
not been employed or paid in the army,
navy or marine service of the United
States from the date from which he re-
ceived his last pension to the present
time. He is also required to swear that
"I am entitled to the pension described in
this voucher, and have not forfeited my
right, title, or interest therein." This
law applies only to invalid pensioners
and not to those who receive pensions
for total disability. For violating his

law a fine of \$500 or two years' impris-
onment or both is imposed. Pensions will
be cut off from all who enter the military
service in the future, as the commis-
sioner has no choice in the matter.

It was thought the frost which overtook
the Democratic primaries to send dele-
gates to a post convention-convention to
insure the senatorial delegates ap-
pointed months ago not to vote for Gray,
would end the race, but contrary to all
expectation a convention was held yester-
day which went through the form of
electing the senatorial delegates. Where
the convention came from or who
created it no one knows. It was not
chosen by primaries, that's certain.

The people seem to have little use for
the opinion of ex-Senator Edmunds on the
war between Spain and the United
States nor the matter of peace terms.
He cares nothing for and cannot, if he
would, measure American sentiment
from a patriotic standpoint, because he
never considers the voice of the people.
He is an imperialist opposed to "imperial-
ism."

Bob Evans is as successful shelling a
lot of rattle brained religious resolu-
tions as he is a lot of Spaniards. People
who muddle with private characters
without investigating as to the facts
never did the cause of religion half as
much good as Bob Evans' shells.

Barley tried to commit the Democratic
state convention in Texas against acquir-
ing additional territory, but the resolu-
tion was howled down. The Texas
Democrat is not inclined to go into the
explaining business.

America will have to assume control
of both Cuba and the Philippines or the
last condition of the people will be worse
than the first.

OUR NEIGHBORS.

BARNESDALE.

We are getting plenty of rain now.
Just what the farmers have been long-
ing for.

Mrs. S. E. Bear and son, Sybil, left
for Iowa and Wellington, Kansas, Tues-
day afternoon to visit relatives.

Mrs. H. N. Lebow has been quite sick
but is improving.

Frank Treutman with his mother
visited relatives here Tuesday.

Mrs. Elizabeth Love of Severy, Kan-
sas, is visiting her mother, Mrs. John
Good, and other relatives here.

Mrs. and Mr. Charles Wilson returned
to their home in Chicago Saturday night
after a short visit with Mrs. Wilson's pa-
rents, George Longmeyer and wife.

John Blue is entertaining his cousin,
Mr. West of Pennsylvania.

The Mission Band are preparing for
an entertainment at the hall Saturday
night. Admission 5 cents.

DALLON CITY.

Foster Stevie and daughter are num-
bered with the sick.

Rev. Joseph O'Rourke is visiting in
Indiana.

There was a festival at St. Isadora.

Thomas McGowan of Decatur visited
relatives here last Sunday.

Dr. Wilson reports a son born to
Thomas McGowan July 29.

James Brown is teaching bar in Decatur
for Dugan Bros. Billy O'Brien is oc-
cupying Jesse's position as bartender of
this place.

L. Heady of Bethany visited S. A.
Dugan on his way home from a trip in
Oklahoma.

John Sheehy was in Decatur last Sun-
day.

Porter Brown returned home from In-
dianapolis where he was attending
school.

J. V. Burns and Thomas Findlay was
in our city Tuesday.

Doc Brant and wife are visiting rela-
tives at Mod.

Mrs. Pearl Adkins is visiting with
friends here this week.

George Goodman transacted business
here last week.

Hon. Loner and wife have returned home
from the south part of the state.

Walter Morgan, the famous jeweler of
Dallan City, took the pleasure of seeing
corn three days last week. The people
are very much surprised at the start he
has made.

A. H. Morgan of Bethany was on our
street last week.

Frank Benson of Bethany transacted
business here last week.

Mrs. J. W. McIntire and son, Van,
visited friends in Moweaqua last week.

Hon. D. P. Kelley of Moweaqua
transacted business here this week.

James Hensberry, William Fitz and
W. H. Taylor transacted business in Sul-
livan Monday.

Hughes Bros transacted business in
DeCATUR last week.

Mrs. Mary A. Duggan and daughter,
Kate, visited Sullivan Monday.

Mrs. Kate Kelley of Decatur visited
relatives here last week.

Thomas Willis of Lake City, was on
our street last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Pat Hunt and daughter
of Decatur are visiting Mrs. Jennie
Griffin the past week.

George Waddell and family of Decatur
are visiting friends here the past week.

One of the grand platform dances of
the season was given at Mr. and Mrs.
Ed Kinney's last Monday evening.
About 50 people attended. Clara Mc-
Carthy's orchestra furnished the music.

George Libman of Mt. Pleasant was
on our street Tuesday.

John Huber of Findlay transacted
business here Monday.

The C. D. church gave an ice cream
and chicken fry festival last Saturday
evening. It was well attended.

Dr. Wilson reports a son born to Mr.
and Mrs. George Bradley, July 29.

L. P. Bradley of this place visited
relatives in Macon, Shelby and Christian
counties last week.

FORSYTH.

Mrs. W. T. Hoover of Macon visited
relatives here last week.

Bennie Funk returned Sunday from
an extended visit to Indianapolis, Ind.
Mr. Ford and daughter, Lizzie, from
DeCATUR were guests of friends Sunday.

Clara Barber of Macon visited with the
family of V. W. Benton.

SANGAMON.

Miss Myrtle Jones from Decatur is vis-
iting her grandmother, Mrs. M. Carder,
this week.

Mrs. Arthur Hawkins left. Dr. Yar-
nell is attending her.

There was considerable excitement in
this vicinity Sunday over the shooting of
Ray Tifford by a man named Cleveland.

The township Sunday school con-
vention was well attended at Sangamon
Sunday.

Mrs. John Carder and children of De-
catur are spending the week with friends
here.

Henry Miller of Decatur visited with
Mr. and Mrs. I. D. Jennings last week.

Rev. Ritchie held his regular services
at Sangamon Saturday evening and Sun-
day.

Roy and George Harner from Decatur
are visiting their aunt Mrs. Elgin.

John Costello and family from near
Argenta visited with Mrs. Julia Costello
Sunday.

Joseph Nelson, Sr., was sick last
week, but is able to be around once more.

Mrs. James R. Walton visited with
relatives in Decatur Saturday.

Benton Hawkins, Jr., and wife of
Carro Gordo spent Sunday with the pa-
rents of the latter.

There was a fair attendance at the
tabernacle Tuesday evening to practice
singing for the township Sunday school
convention.

The farmers are thankful for the re-
freshing showers which fell here Monday.
More rain, however, would be welcomed.

Everybody nowadays is threshing or
chasing blackberries.

MILMINE.

The boys who recently went fishing
have gotten over their "bites" Miss
Ellen.

Mrs. E. Farnsworth visited relatives in
Monticello, Oregon and Decatur the past
week.

Mrs. George Hay was a Monticello
visitor last week.

Mrs. William Bowdlo, south of town,
entertained Medamus Vance, Bowler,
Voorhies and Steele of Mount and Miss
Thos. Youkam of Champaign, last Wed-
nesday.

Frank Kimberlain of Mount is visit-
ing friends in town today.

Thomas Voorhies of Lexington, Ky., is
visiting his cousins, the Misses Voor-
hies of Breeseville.

Mrs. Laura Kinder and T. O. Hol-
comb, Jr., are attending institute at
Monticello this week.

Rev. C. Rodgers of Lodge preached at
Milmine Sunday.

Miss Jennie Bowdlo was a Decatur
visitor Monday.

Isaac Lefever of Champaign, who has
been visiting his sons here, returned
home Monday.

Miss Carolina Curry of Voorhies and
her cousin, Miss Ryan of Chicago, called
on Miss Jane Bowdlo Monday evening.

Mrs. Kate Lefever is visiting relatives
here this week.

Mrs. B. Farnsworth will leave next
Monday for Gonzales, Texas, to visit her
daughter, Mrs. G. C. Walsh.

Several boys from this neighborhood
have tonight (Monday) for North Dakota
to help in the harvest fields.

Will Carter and A. A. Loe were De-
catur visitors Sunday.

Mrs. Robertson's mother from Wind-
sor is visiting here this week.

W. S. Condrano of Springfield called
on H. F. Robertson Monday.

MT. ZION.

George Nicholson of Decatur was here
last week.

John Davidson of Kansas City is vis-
iting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Baxter
Davidson.

Miss Zelma Travis of Decatur is
spending a few weeks at home.

Rev. D. W. Cheek returned home Sat-
urday after a visit in Missouri.

Roy Day of Chicago is visiting home
folks for a few days.

Miss Diola Archibald of Decatur visited
friends here last week.

Mrs. Tom Billy and daughter, Ger-
tie, returned home Sunday after a visit with
friends in Decatur.

Ed Rinning of Macon spent Sunday
with home folks.

Harry Myers of Decatur was here Sun-
day to see what the boys were doing.

Everybody keeps an eye open for the
big chicken and fish fry that is to be
given at the Cumberland Presbyterian
church, Thursday evening, August 4.

MACON.

Jesse Daggett spent Sunday with his
wife in this city.

Born, Thursday, July 28, to William
Weatherford and wife, a son.

Alert Whitaker has returned to this
city from Blue Mound, where he has
been working for H. Hensley for some
time.

Mrs. Frank Bierlich is dangerously ill
at her home in the west part of town.

John Zollars has purchased a fine \$300
surrey.

Miss Flora Beasly, who has been visit-
ing her parents in this city for several
weeks, returned to her home in Las
Vegas, New Mexico Saturday. She was
accompanied as far as Decatur by E. L.
Hight and wife and O. L. Hupson of this
city.

D. W. Tate of Decatur spent Sunday
with his parents at their home east of
town.

Mrs. H. C. Montgomery has returned
to her home in this city after a visit of
several weeks in Chicago.

This city has at last been visited by a
good shower. It came Friday night and
was accompanied by much thunder and
lightning.

Olga Jester, the little daughter of Fred
Jester, met with quite a painful acci-
dent last Friday. She, with several
other children was being taken to school
to celebrate his eighth birthday, when he
accidentally shot her in the forehead with
an air rifle. She shot lodged just under
the skin and was removed by Dr. W. R.
Dugan of this city.

Born, to William Shaddock and wife,
July 27, a daughter.

Born, July 28, to John Hedrick and
wife, a daughter.

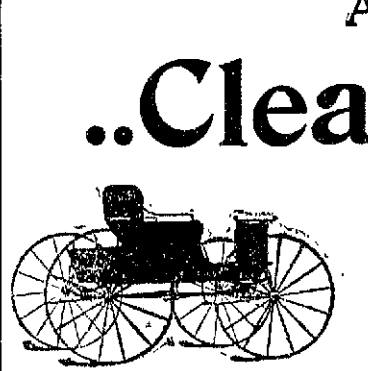
Everett, the little son of J. F. Van
Gundy and wife of this city fell last Fri-
day and cut a two-inch gash over his left
eye.

Nathanial Blalock is still confined to
his bed from the effects of a fall received
some time ago.

William Ruby was born October 13,
1898, in Herkimer county, N. Y., and
died in Macon July 21, 1898, aged 81
years, 10 months and 21 days. He moved
to this county in 1858 and settled on a
farm but failing health compelled him
to move to town. He was a constant
sufferer from Bright's disease and ear-
rache and was confined to his bed for
eight months before his death. He is sur-
vived by a wife and four children, two
sons, Dan and Fred, and two daugh-
ters, Mrs. William Hise of this city and
Mrs. L. Schaffer of Findlay. Rev. Mi-
ler of the Presbyterian church delivered
the funeral sermon and the remains were
laid to rest in the Macon cemetery.

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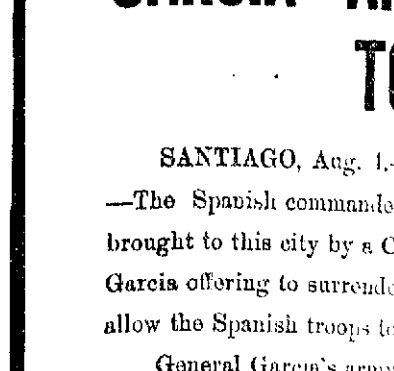
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EXCURSION TO NIAGARA

Special Train Left This Forenoon

11 O'clock—Other Railroad Not

GARCIA APPEARS TO BE VERY BUSY

SANTIAGO, Aug. 4.—[Copyright by James Gordon Bennett.]—The Spanish commander in Manzanillo, according to a report brought to this city by a Cuban courier, has written a letter to Gen. Garcia offering to surrender that place to the Cubans if Garcia will allow the Spanish troops to march out of the city with their arms.

General Garcia's army is marching on Holguin, and the Cuban leader is reported here to have gained a notable victory over the Spanish regulars in the fighting near Mayari. Many Spanish guerrillas, it is asserted by a Cuban courier, joined the insurgents before the battle, and Garcia captured the town of Mayari and took 500 Spanish prisoners.

Two hundred Spanish families have chartered a steamship of the French Transatlantic line, through the French Consul here, to take them to Santander.

Some of the wealthiest merchants of Santiago, fearing that the Cubans will eventually gain control of the government, are preparing to leave on this vessel.

The transport San Juan sailed this afternoon for Manzanillo to bring the families and baggage of the Spanish soldiers who were sent from that place to re-enforce Gen. Linares prior to the surrender of the city.

ATTACK ON PUNTA MAYA.

HAVANA, Aug. 4.—A Spanish report says that at noon on Saturday last an American warship fired on the Punta Maya, Matanzas battery, after the battery had opened fire on the warship, which is said to have withdrawn for a time and to have returned with another ship. The two vessels, it appears, fired eight shots at the battery, which were answered by twenty shots from the shore guns, whereupon the ships are alleged to have withdrawn. It is said that only one Spanish artilleryman was wounded.

TO-DAY'S PEACE NEWS.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 4.—A member of the cabinet who met the President this afternoon says he is certain that the final reply of Spain to our note will be received before the close of the week. At yesterday's conference with the French Ambassador representing Spain, the President firmly but courteously declined to modify the United States' demands except in a slight degree in comparatively unimportant respects. The conference was devoted almost entirely to details regarded by the President as unimportant, hence the foremost part will be accorded to. One of these is the commission to settle the details of peace, to meet outside the United States, preferably in France. It is practically settled that conferences will be held in Paris. Spain propounded a number of questions as to the time she will be expected to evacuate Cuba and the territory to be ceded to the United States, and what provision would be made to protect Spanish subjects in those islands while the evacuation is in progress.

All these points were answered presumably satisfactorily. Secretary Day's visit to Cambon last night was devoted to making clear what Spain apparently had not fully comprehended heretofore, that the evacuation of Cuba, Porto Rico and the Ladrone Islands to be selected by the United States, and their cession (except Cuba) made, is a condition precedent to all peace negotiations, and that not till these conditions are fully complied with would this government consent to entertain any peace propositions whatever.

SLOW TO DECIDE.

MADRID, Aug. 4.—The Spanish cabinet met this afternoon, the Queen Regent presiding, and discussed the peace proposals without arriving at any definite decision.

EXCURSION TO NIAGARA

Special Train Left This Forenoon at 11 O'clock—Other Railroad Notes.

The annual excursion to Niagara Falls over the Wabash was run today. The excursion train was run as second section of Train 25 and left Decatur at 11 o'clock. There were seven cars. All of the berths in three sleepers were taken. At this point about 300 persons got on the train. About 50 Decatur people went and the other were persons who came to this place from points near here to take the excursion. The fare was \$3.50 for the round trip and the passengers will be taken through to Niagara without change.

G. A. Hines, traveling passenger agent for the Illinois Central, passed through the city today.

G. A. Clark of the Central made a business visit to the city today.

James Cullen, traveling freight agent for the Illinois Central, was in the city today on business.

Trainmaster Frank Campbell of the Vandallia, visited the city today.

Superintendent H. B. Starbuck of the P. D. and E., passed through the city this morning.

E. M. Legg, traveling auditor for the

Wabash, was in the city.

Cline Wiman, formerly an engineer on the Wabash, has gone to Melrose, Minn., where he will take a position on the Great Northern road.

James Addison, special agent for the Illinois Central, is in the city today.

Attention, Old Soldiers. The manufacturers have instructed H. W. Bell, N. L. Krone, and W. H. Hubbard to give a bottle of 25c size of Foley's Colic Cure free to the first soldier of the civil war that applies for the same. It is the great remedy for Chronic Diarrhea, Cramp Colic and all Bowel complaints.

Patriotic Social.

The Endeavor society of the tabernacle will give a patriotic social this evening. The tabernacle will be decorated and everything will denote loyalty to the flag, even the cream served is to be red, white and blue. A hearty welcome is extended to all by the young people.

E. O. Blanks, of Lewisville, Texas, writes that one box of DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve was worth \$50 to him. It cured his piles of ten years standing. He advises others to try it. It also cures eczema, skin diseases and obstinate sores. H. W. Bell, N. L. Krone.

Ask your grocer for a Foley's Colic Cure.

ROOSEVELT ON THE YELLOW FEVER

Letter to the Authorities and Public on Sick Conditions in Cuba.

SANTIAGO DE CUBA, August 3.—(Copyright, 1898, by Associated Press.)—Summoned by General Shafter a meeting was held this morning, and in the presence of every commanding and medical officer of the 5th army corps, Shafter read a message from Secretary Alger ordering him at the recommendation of Surgeon General Sternberg to move the army into interior to San Luis where it is healthier. As a result of the conference General Shafter will insist upon the withdrawal of the army to the United States within two weeks. As an explanation of the situation the following letter is given from Theodore Roosevelt, commanding the Rough Riders, to General Shafter, and handed by the latter to the Associated Press for publication:

"In meeting of the general and medical officers, called by you at the palace this morning, we were all, as you know, unanimous in the view as to what should be done with the army. To keep us here, in the opinion of every officer commanding a division or brigade, will simply involve the destruction of thousands. There is no possible reason for not shipping practically the entire command north at once. Yellow fever cases are very few in the cavalry division where I command one of the brigades, and not one true case of yellow fever has occurred in this division except among the men sent to the hospital at Siboney, where they have, I believe, contracted it. But in this division there have been 1500 cases of malarial fever. Not a man died from it, but the whole command is so weakened and shattered as to be ripe for dying like rotten sheep when the real yellow fever epidemic, instead of a fake epidemic, like the present, strikes us, as it is bound to if we stay here at the height of the sickness season, August and the beginning of September. Quarantine against malarial fever is much like quarantining against the toothache. All of us are certain, as soon as the authorities at Washington fully appreciate the conditions of the army, to be sent home. If we are kept here it will, in all probability, mean appalling disaster, for the surgeons here estimate that over half of the army, if kept here, during the sickly season, will die. This is not only terrible from the standpoint of individual lives lost, but it means ruin from the standpoint of military efficiency. The flower of the American army and the great bulk of the regulars are here with you. The sick list, large though it is, exceeding 4000, affords but a faint index of the debilitation of the army. Not 10 per cent are fit for active service or work. Six weeks on the north Maine coast, for instance, or elsewhere, where the yellow fever germ cannot possibly propagate, would make us all fit as fighting cocks, able as we are eager, to take a leading part in the great campaign against Havana in the fall, even if we are not allowed to try Porto Rico. We can be moved north, if moved at once, with absolute safety to the country; although, of course, it would be infinitely better if we had been moved north or to Porto Rico two weeks ago. If there were any object in keeping us here we would face the yellow fever with as much indifference as we face bullets, but there is no object in it. The four immense regiments ordered here are sufficient to garrison the city and surrounding towns, and there is absolutely nothing for us to do here and there has not been since the city surrendered. It is impossible to move into the interior. Every shifting of the camp doubles the sick rate, in its present weakened condition, and anyhow the interior is far worse than the coast, as I have found by actual reconnaissance. Our present camps are as healthy as any camps at this end of the island can be. I write only because I can't see our men who have fought so bravely and who have endured extreme hardships and danger so uncomplainingly, go to destruction without striving as far as lies in me to avert a doom as fearful as it is unnecessary and unbearable."

WAR TAX NEWS.

Postal Money Orders Must Not Bear Stamps.

WASHINGTON, August 4.—The revenue act which took effect on July 1 prescribed a government tax of two cents on each United States postal money order. Instructions were issued in advance to all money order post-offices that this tax was to be collected, not by affixing stamps to orders, but by charging two cents to the buyers of the money orders in addition to the regular fee, and to be accounted for separately. In spite of plain instructions sent out money orders are now coming into the auditor's office with revenue stamps affixed. Some were evidently affixed and cancelled by postmasters, others by purchasers of money orders. Still others by the payees when they receipt for the money. All this is double payment of tax, for the selling postmaster will in every case be required to account for two cents on each order sold. No revenue stamps are in any case to be attached to United States postal money orders.

THE PRINCESS GONE AWAY

LONDON, August 4.—There appears to be some mystery in connection with the departure of the Princess of Wales for Copenhagen. It is semi-officially affirmed that her leaving England is due to the illness of her mother, the queen of Denmark, but two denials of her majesty's illness have been received from Copenhagen.

Rumors are current that the princess has had another disagreement with the Prince of Wales, similar to the quarrel which took the princess abroad for some months in 1896.

She then threatened to summon a family council to meet at Copenhagen and to expose the whole domestic situation.

Lady Warwick is the objectionable woman in the case.

Rival to Jack's Beanstalk.

Mrs. M. C. Van Hall of North Union street has one of the finest gardens in the city and is justly proud of her success as a vegetable grower. Recently the Republican made notice of the fact that a resident of Riverside had string beans in his garden growing to the length of 18 inches. Mrs. Van Hall has doubled his success and brought to the Republican office string beans one yard in length. They are not of the rubber variety but are the common string bean with the pods well filled.

Australian coal is being delivered in Alaskan ports.

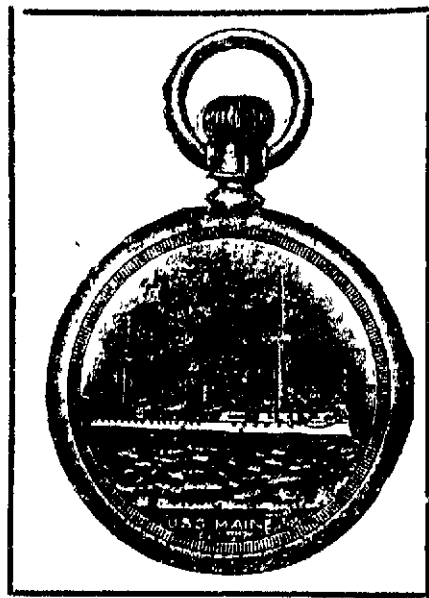
There are a few things that even a very young man doesn't know.

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MARKETS.

CHICAGO, Ill., August 2.					
	Open- ing.	High- est.	Low- est.	Clos- ing.	Yest- day.
Wheat—					
Aug.				69½	67½
Sept.	65½	66½	65½	66	65½
Dec.	64½	65½	64½	64½	64½
Corn—					
Aug.				34	32½
Sept.	32¼	33½	32¼	34½	32½
Dec.	31¾	33½	31	34¾	32½
Oats—					
Aug.				23	21
Sept.	20½	21¼	20½	22	20¾

Remember The Maine!



The above cut represents an 18 size, Silverine, screw bevel case, stem wind and pendant set, with U. S. Battleship, Maine, inlaid on the back on gold, fitted with a 17 jewel, Adjusted, Patent Regulator, Elgin or Waltham movement, and fully guaranteed. **\$9.75**

Remember this store is headquarters for Cuban and American Flags, Military Waist Sets, and Military Belt Buckles.

Also the largest variety of Patriotic Goods in the city, the cleanest and best finished.

Look this line over before making your purchases.

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Our House Has Been Established Over 20 Years at
156 EAST MAIN STREET, - - DECATUR, ILL.

A Pleasant Customer Is the Best Advertisement.

We make a specialty of that kind. Those who buy the Hanan Shoe of us are always pleased. We want a lot more people to find out about this great line of shoes. They are made for Ladies and Gentlemen and are without doubt

The Best on Earth.

COME AROUND AND GET PLEASED.

F. H. Cole Shoe Co.,

148 EAST MAIN STREET.

YOU

Should Attend the

Decatur Race Meeting

AUGUST 23, 24, 25 and 26.

PROGRAMME.	
TUESDAY.	
2:35 Class Pace.....	\$400.00
2:35 Class Trot.....	400.00
2:12 Class Pace.....	500.00
WEDNESDAY.	
2:27 Class Trot.....	\$400.00
2:28 Class Pace.....	400.00
2:16 Class Trot.....	500.00
THURSDAY.	
2:27 Class Pace.....	\$400.00
2:10 Class Trot.....	500.00
2:16 Class Pace.....	500.00
FRIDAY.	
2:19 Class Pace.....	\$500.00
2:21 Class Trot.....	400.00
Free for All Pace.....	500.00

ENTRIES CLOSE AUGUST 15.

B. Z. TAYLOR, President. G. A. KELLER, Secretary.

WEST'S DRUG STORE.

Lincoln Square.

The Home of Fine
PERFUMERY.

A new line of
ROGER & GALLET'S
IMPORTED VIOLETS,
Just Received.

VIOLET Toilet Soaps.
VIOLET Powders.
VIOLET Creams.

All the New Swell Odors.

LOCAL NEWS.

Davis' 19c delivery. Cab, 25c.

Smoke the Little J., 5-cent cigar, made by Jacob Kock.

Smoke the Little Joker—5 cent cigar.

Go to Henry's bakery for all kinds of bread, cakes, pies, etc. June 23-24.

Do you want plastering done. If so telephone 528, new phone. Decatur Hard Plaster Co. Perry & Oren.—5-24

Smoke "Uncle Sam" cigars; five in a box for 10 cents.

L. CHODAT'S NEWS HOUSE.

Look out for the Parlor Mat Market's Special sale on hand Saturday.—3-24

Wooden sleepers on railways last about 15 years.

Wanted—A good girl for general housework. Apply at opera house drug store.—27-24

Do not fail to see those elegant pianos at the C. B. Prescott music house. The Chickering and Packard pianos are the favorites with the people.

Go to Spencer & Lehman's for wood pumps, iron lift pumps, force pumps chain pumps and pump repairing.—mar 1-24

The Woman's Home Missionary society of the First M. E. church will meet Friday at 8:30 p. m. at the home of Mrs. E. B. Handley, 735 North Edward street.

Eczema, scald head, bites, itches, the skin of any sort instantly relieved, permanently cured. Dean's Ointment. At any drug store.

Niagara Falls and return, only \$8.50 via Wabash R. R., "The Niagara Falls Short Line," Wednesday, August 17, 11 a. m. train.—1-24

The Prohibitionists will open their campaign in the county tomorrow with a meeting tomorrow night at the hall at the corner of King and Monroe streets. Addresses will be made by D. L. Bunn, candidate for congress, and J. H. Hughes, candidate for the legislature.

No such thing as "summer complaint" where Dr. Fowler's Ext. of Wild Strawberry is kept handy. Nature's remedy for every looseness of the bowels. Sold by all druggists.

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Mark Reinsdorf met with a bad accident yesterday at his parents' home on West Prairie avenue. He was at the barn attending to the horse. He was in the loft and as he came down the ladder he lost his footing and fell a distance of about 15 feet, fracturing his left shoulder blade. Reinsdorf will be laid up for some time. He was attended by Dr. Wilbourn.

Fenced It Up.

The members of the street and alley committee held a meeting to discuss matters which had been referred to them. They visited the alley back of the Brownman wholesale house. A petition has been presented to have the alley brought to grade and at present it is in a dangerous condition. It was seen by the members of the committee that the improvement would cost about \$300, so it was decided to shut up the alley for the present. A fence will be put across the entrance so that it cannot be used in the present dangerous condition. The matter of putting up stone bands at the intersections of all streets has been referred to the committee, but they will wait action until they hear from Chicago and learn how much it will cost to have the signs painted.

Had Rough House.

Last night Officers Fenton and Keoppo were called to the residence of the Harkel family on South Main street. Kate Harkel was having a fight with her husband and she was taken to police headquarters. She was punching her husband over the head with an umbrella.

Wanted.

A limited number of persons to do writing at their homes. Twenty-five cents paid for every hundred words. Promptness and good work necessary. Applications must be accompanied by 10 cents for particulars. Address: The Sioux City Business College, Sioux City, Iowa.—29-24

Foot Injured.

Mrs. J. T. Nickolls, who lives on Leavitt avenue, dropped a heavy fork on her foot yesterday and the blow penetrated the top of the foot causing a painful injury.

Sales of Real Estate.

Edward W. Hoffman to Levi Towle, lot 7 in block 9 of L. Towle's Maple Grove addition to Decatur; \$850.

How's This?

We offer One Hundred Dollars Reward for any case of Catarrh that cannot be cured by Hall's Catarrh Cure. F. J. Cheney & Co., Prop., Toledo, O. We, the undersigned, have known F. J. Cheney for the last 15 years, and believe him perfectly honorable in all business transactions, and financially able to carry out any obligations made by their firm.

West & Truax, Wholesale Druggists, Toledo, O. Walz, Korman & Martin, Wholesale Druggists, Toledo, O. Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. Price 75c per bottle. Sold by all Druggists. Testimonials free. Hall's Family Pills are the best.

FOR BETTER SANITATION.

Board of Health Will Urge Appointment of Sanitary Inspector.

The number of deaths reported for the month of July to the board of health, while nothing startling, show a marked increase over the number occurring in the preceding months and a larger number than has been reported for one month since the board has been keeping a record of the deaths. The increased mortality is supposed to be due to the heat and compared with other cities of the population of Decatur was surprisingly low. There were 80 deaths reported and it is thought by members of the board that the number of deaths were larger than given. The undertakers and physicians have been slightly negligent in this respect but arrangements have now been made to have all deaths promptly reported.

The board is vigorously enforcing the ordinance requiring all houses which have been occupied by consumptive patients to be thoroughly disinfected and fumigated. It also has been decided to make an endeavor to secure the appointment of a sanitary inspector or have a police detailed to inspect and take charge of all contagious cases, and generally to locate and report all cases where unsanitary conditions exist. The matter will be agitated by the board and the co-operation and assistance of the city council asked. Six new contagious cases have been reported in the past three days. Four are of scarlet fever and two of diphtheria. There were also one or two typhoid cases.

THE DEATH RECORD.

JOHN R. WININGS.

John R. Wining died yesterday at his home, No. 275 East Condit street, aged 67 years. The deceased was born in Ohio county, Indiana, but came to Illinois many years ago. He leaves a wife and seven children. For about 40 years he resided in Long Creek township and came to Decatur five years ago. His children are J. S., C. M., W. H. and Jesse R. Wining of Decatur, Mrs. Elmer Happe of Decatur, Mrs. W. T. Hunt of Russell Springs, Kan., and Miss Clara Wining of Decatur. He also leaves a brother, William Wining of Lake City, and one sister, Mrs. Martha J. Hughes of Long Creek.

The funeral will be held Friday afternoon at the Long Creek Methodist church. The services will begin at 8 o'clock and the funeral cortege will leave the house at 10 a. m.

PHILIP HONECKER.

Philip Honecker died at 6:15 o'clock last night at his residence, 719 South Broadway, aged 37 years. He had been ill for only a short time before his death. He died of acute obstruction of the bowels. He leaves a wife and two children, four sisters and a brother. He has been an employee of the Decatur Brewing Company for some time past.

The time of the funeral has not yet been decided upon and will be announced later.

ETHEL DIXON.

Ethel, the 18 months old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Dixon, died at the family home, 804 West Cerra Gordo street yesterday afternoon. Death was caused by cholera infantum. The funeral was held this afternoon at 3 o'clock from the residence.

WHEELMEN'S CLUB

Will Make an Effort to Build a Bicycle Track.

The regular monthly meeting of the Decatur Wheelmen's club was held Tuesday night. Some important business was brought up for consideration. A committee consisting of Emory Birke, Archie Wilson and L. E. Rogers was appointed to agitate the matter of the building of a quarter mile bicycle track at some place convenient to the residence of the club.

The subject of the building of the bicycle track has long been one of the most cherished schemes of the Wheelmen's club and different places have been suggested as being the proper location for the track, but nothing definite has been decided upon. It is now suggested that a stock company be formed with the shares at \$1. The exact cost of the track is not known, but a thorough canvass of the matter will be made by the committee and decided action taken as soon as reports are made.

The club is looking for more desirable quarters and Messrs. Al Shields, Ned Freeman and Ben Drum were selected to look after this matter. The treasurer reported \$95.00 in the treasury which is an increase of \$15 over the receipts of last month. The club now has 60 members and is growing.

AT MT. ZION TO-NIGHT.

Indications are that the chicken and fish fry will be well attended.

The indications are that the chicken and fish fry which will be given by the ladies of the Methodist church at Mt. Zion tonight will be one of the best attended affairs of this kind of the summer. The plans have been made for innumerable pleasure parties with Mt. Zion the object of the trip and there are several family and smaller parties who will attend. The supper will be served from 5 to 10 o'clock and will be given without any concessions to the weather. A huge tent will be erected near the church and facilities will be provided for the entertainment and accommodation of a large number of people.

The nails on amputated fingers continue to grow.

WOULDN'T LISTEN

Clevenger Refused to Hear the Verdict Read.

THE JURORS VISITED HIM

But He Would Not See Them—Miss Myers Gave Bond for Her Appearance as a Witness.

The verdict returned yesterday by the coroner's jury in the case of Bay Tilford, who was shot and killed by Louis A. Clevenger, seems to meet with the approval of most everyone that is acquainted with the case. That Clevenger was the guilty of murder there seems to be not the least doubt according to the evidence introduced at the inquest. The verdict was to the effect that Clevenger be held without bail to await the action of the grand jury and it was also recommended that the coroner issue a mittimus on the sheriff to hold the man. The coroner's warrant was issued and Coroner Bondure also took a bond from Miss Lodesah Myers, for her appearance as a witness when the case comes up for trial. She was the most important witness and without her testimony the case against Clevenger would be weak.

At the close of the inquest yesterday the jury went to the jail to read their verdict to the prisoner. When Clevenger learned their purpose he would not come out to meet the jury and there was nothing for them to do but turn away without reading the verdict to the prisoner. Yesterday quite a number of persons called at the jail and were given an opportunity to see Clevenger. Attorneys W. E. Redman and E. S. McDonald have been retained by Clevenger.

MILLS AND CALDWELL.

Republican Nominee Will Keep Ben on the Chicago Platform.

Springfield Journal, August 8: Issue R. Mills of Decatur, the Republican nominee for congress in the 17th district, was in the city yesterday on his way to Pawnee where he will attend the annual farmers picnic today. Mr. Mills was at the Leland and during the evening he met a large number of Republicans, who called to shake hands with the next congressman from this district. Mr. Mills expressed himself as well pleased with the outlook for Republican success this fall. To a representative of the Journal he said: "I believe this is a Republican year. This opinion is strengthened daily for I have been around some and everywhere I meet with encouragement. I intend to make a thorough canvass of the district and will devote the greater part of my time from now on in the interest of the party."

"I fully appreciate the kind of campaign Mr. Caldwell is making and will make. I am not running against Mr. Caldwell's pocketbook. His and mine are not the same. It is the Republican principles against those of the Democracy in this fight and it is on these lines that I will make my campaign."

When asked as to Mr. Caldwell's nomination today and its purpose, Mr. Mills said: "His nomination was conceded months ago. I have not read Mr. Caldwell's speech but I understand that he stands with both feet on the Chicago platform of 1896. That is just where I want him to stand and it is where I propose to let him stand. I am willing to make the fight on that platform."

"I will go to Pawnee tomorrow to attend the annual farmers' picnic and will attend a banner meeting in one of my townships on Thursday. These banner meetings interest me especially as last fall I offered a silver banner to the township casting the highest Republican vote, with the promise that the flag be given to the township casting the highest number of votes in succeeding years. This year several townships in Macon county will contest for the banner and we anticipate an interesting meeting over in Macon tomorrow."

Public Work.

Tuttle and Mattes have been interrupted in their work of paving on Barker street. Yesterday and the day before the ground was too wet to do anything but today some work can be done. The contractors expect to have the paving finished by the 15th of the month if there is no more rain to stop them.

A. F. Gebhart expected to begin work yesterday or the day before on the Oakland avenue sewer, but the rain prevented. He has till January to finish but will rush the construction of the sewer and hope to have it done long before that time. Mr. Gebhart will have a large force of men at work, probably as many as a hundred will be at work on the place at one time.

Births.

To Mr. and Mrs. Perry Byrner of South Wheatland township on August 8, a daughter.

To Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Torkey of East Bradford street, August 3, a son.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Frank W. Meyer, South Broadway, on August 8, a son.

Special Advertising Rates.

Churches, secret societies and other charitable and semi-charitable organizations are made a special advertising rate by the Republican of five cents a line for each insertion of local reading notices, programs, resolutions, etc.

Steamboats are displacing gondolas in Venice.

MANUAL TRAINING

One of the Needs of the Decatur Schools Presented by a Graduate.

Eda, Republican: The citizens of Decatur have always been justly proud of their public schools and have seen them, with pleasure, develop until today they are second to none within the state. The system of seven grades which is peculiar to Decatur has caused much favorable comment among educators of our state and nation. The High school has the largest enrollment within the state, outside of Chicago, and graduates from it are admitted, without examination, on all of the higher institutions of learning which have any accredited High schools. Such a degree of perfection could not have been reached without the hearty co-operation of our citizens or their far-sightedness in favoring the introduction of new methods and systems.

Courses of study for the secondary schools, during the last 35 or 40 years, have tended toward the development of classical and scientific students with particular reference to their entering some higher institutions. These students who must early enter into some remunerative employment drop out of the schools when they receive no training which is especially adapted to their life work. Within the last decade, this deficiency, in the secondary school system, has been remedied, to a great degree, in some of the fortunate schools of our country, by the introduction of a manual training system.

Would it not be possible to do something of the kind in Decatur? Sewing and some of the simpler kinds of manual training would be introduced into the grades. On the ground west of the High school a manual training building could be built in which arrangements might be made for a gymnasium, wood shops, cooking department and other branches that the citizens would endorse. Such a building need not be very expensive and when properly equipped would put our schools in a very enviable position in comparison with other cities.

High School Graduate.

DAVE ELLIS DISMISSED.

He was Found Not Guilty of Stealing Shoes From George Powers.

Dave Ellis, the colored boy, who was on trial yesterday before Justice Hardy, was dismissed. He was charged with having stolen a pair of shoes from George Powers' shoe store. Ellis seems to have on former occasions taken damaged shoes from the store and sold them to persons whom he knew wanted to buy such articles. Ellis worked as a shoe shiner at the store, but was a short time ago discharged. On Tuesday he came into the store and wanted to take out a pair of shoes. Mr. Powers was ill at home and a telephone message was sent to the house asking if Dave should be allowed to take the shoes. The instructions were that he should not take them unless he had the money. Dave was told this and then he took the shoes anyway and walked out of the store. He was later in the day arrested for stealing the shoes and his trial came up yesterday. He had no attorney, but simply told his story. He claimed that he had done the same thing before and that he did not take the shoes with any idea of stealing but for the purpose of selling them. Justice Hardy after hearing the evidence decided that Ellis was not guilty of theft and discharged him. Ellis is the young man who a short time ago was cut by another colored man.

Hay Ride To-Night.

Among the many plans for attendance at the election try at Mt. Zion tonight is a hay ride planned by the following young people: Misses Nonie Bergen, Nellie Fife, Nellie Redman, Clara Sawyer, Corn Cusher, Maud Lincoln, Messrs. W. G. Ayers, Charles McKee, Charles Grable, Will Rieckle, Fred Foster, J. C. Johnson, Ray Hunt, Fred Turpin, George Williams and Mrs. Harry Conklin and Mrs. J. B. Williams.

Fumigated After Lockjaw.

The board of health yesterday ordered the fumigation of the rooms at the Davidson house, occupied by Mrs. Davidson during her illness. The proceedings would seem a little out of the ordinary, but the physicians of the board say that it was a case in which the formaldehyde gas should be used.

Thrashing in Minnesota.

Ambrose Banion of Decatur and John Samuel and Charles Karp of Harvey City will leave on Thursday, August 11, for Minnesota, with the Advance Thrashing outfit. They have contracts for several weeks of thrashing.

Patriotic Social.

The Christian Endeavor society of the Christian tabernacle will give a patriotic social at the church this evening. An original patriotic program will be given and ice cream in red white and blue colors will be served.

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NEW YORK, Aug. 5.—The ports to give the text of a message insurgent leader, to United States Kong. He says: "I ask you my policy, present and future, when America will not be frank fighting for annexation, protect America to say, not for me. The Spanish everywhere; but I takes Manila, I can save my me in store for me. Now, good f and rogue. The interests of m people are to you."

BOY LEADER

WASHINGTON, Aug. 5.—Having just come from a chat with "We will keep Luzon with than that we ought not to desire unconditionally abandon the Ph riot there. It is our opportunity and leave the rest to Spain, and parcel out her possessions.

"Aguinaldo has complicated it. Whether his subjugation of the United States or not, he will complete. He is likely to secure national respect."

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LONDON, August 5.—Times says: "Though peace is regarded quickly as is generally expected, hustled, and insists upon everything and dignified manner. He considers satisfactory explanation as to all him best to protect the national dependencies of the Washington cabinet.

"He has to examine very many national situation and home politics, and serious of peace, are disposed to holding out to the last, although fices. As an illustration of this blamed for capitulating at Santiago, continuing a hopeless resistance at Manila here.

"It would be premature to take actions now proceeding foreshadow net when peace is concluded. The